

## MBA Celebrates Homecoming Tomorrow



Photo by Eddie White  
Ready for the Homecoming parade are Willie Hardison, Brad Reed, John Clay, Tommy Murphree, and Buddy Vaughn.

### Spaghetti Supper To Be Held Friday, November 2

The Ladies' Auxiliary of MBA will again sponsor our annual homecoming spaghetti supper tomorrow night. Service will begin at 5:30 p.m., continuing until 7:30 p.m. For the past few weeks tickets have been on sale for \$1.00, and already sales totals are high. Despite the crowds, there will be plenty for all as Mrs. G. F. Cole, Jr., and her committee chairmen serve the plates in our cafeteria.

A tremendous debt of gratitude is owed by all attending the supper to the mothers who have graciously given their time and efforts in order to make the supper a success.

The guests will be served by Nashville's prettiest girls as Dottie Shaffer, Penny Edge, Dottie Frist, Carol Hilton, Linda Christie, Betty Daniels, Sally Cheshire, Louise Davis, Ann Glent, Judy Thornton, Betsy Ball, Judy Lackey, Marilyn Cook, Mary Corrine Brothers, Gloria Creagh, Janice Ruddison, June McCoy, Missy Herbert, Janice Thomas, Mary Ann Braden, Mary

### Amendment Added To The Honor Code

On September 21, an amendment was added to the Constitution of the Honor Council in an almost unanimous vote of the student body. The amendment, deemed necessary on the basis of the student body's reluctance to report offenders of the Honor Code, was initiated and approved by the senior class officers and promoted by the entire student body. The amendment, entirely an undertaking of the students themselves, reads as follows:

"The reporting of offenders to the Honor Council: If any student shall have knowledge of another student breaking the Honor Code, he shall immediately report the offender to the Honor Council. If such action is not taken, the student failing to report the offense shall himself be guilty of breaking the Honor Code and shall thereby be liable for any punishment deemed suitable by the Honor Council. It is hereby understood that when a student shall sign the pledge according to the constitution of the Honor Code or his teacher's wishes, he shall be pledged to report any student he has neither given nor received help on the pledged work, but that if the giving or receiving of help by other students has been noticed by him, he shall immediately report such action to the Honor Council."

We here at MBA feel that this amendment is the difference between a functioning and a non-functioning honor system, and sincerely hope that the entire student body will cooperate in every way possible with the Honor Council.

Reigning over the many activities of Friday, November 2, will be our lovely queen, Miss Louise Davis of Harpeth Hall. Louise will be attended by Miss Carol Davidson of St. Bernard; Miss Dawn Shaffer of Hillsboro; Miss Judy Lackey of Harpeth Hall, and Miss Sandra Ramsey of Hills-

boro. Behind the leading car will be the senior class officers, who are directing the parade. Then the royal float, a mutual effort of all the classes, will carry the queen and her court. Some 30 cars have been promised to our parade.

After the spaghetti supper, the entire student body will be present in the stands to cheer our team on the field. The Hi-Y is making shakers, the Junior School is preparing posters, and the Key Club will decorate the goals and stands. 8:30 p.m. CST starts football games during which the freshman's noisemakers will go into action.

The Hi-Y and Student Council will sponsor a dance in our gym after the game. Admission will

be 50 cents for couples and 25 cents for stage. Couples arriving will find our gym covered in red and white as victory will be celebrated in the grand manner.

Jodie Wallace, president of the Hi-Y, asks if 77-7 will be an appropriate score for this year's games. "66-6 was such a little edge."

This will be one of the best homecomings ever for the MBA girls who will wander across the campus in their gowns. The football team plans to annihilate Hillsboro again this year, and the student body is prepared to give its fullest support so that our arch rivals can once more be "edged out."

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### MBA Clubs Get Under Way

The routine of classes promises to be pleasantly broken again this year with club activities. Various groups are already organized on the hill; officers are being elected and plans and goals for the coming year are being announced. Each group is anticipating an active and successful year.

Following is a list of the clubs, their respective officers and plans:

The boys elected are these:

**Senior Class**  
President—Brad Reed  
Vice-President—Emmett Dozier  
Secretary-Treasurer—Jodie Wallace  
Honor Council Members—  
Ransom White  
Clay Hudleston  
Wade Elam  
Russell Hooper  
Student Council—  
Rollin Lasseter  
Don Brothers

**Junior Class**  
President—John Clay  
Vice-President—Whitney Griffin  
Secretary-Treasurer—George McGinn

Honor Council Members—  
John Carpenter  
Ed Creagh  
Bill Barron  
Student Council Members—  
David Duke  
Jimmy Knight

**Freshman Class**  
President—Willie Hardison  
Vice-President—Craig Nielson  
Secretary-Treasurer—Jeff Williams  
Honor Council Members—  
Frank Cherry  
Bobby Frist  
Student Council Members—  
George Creagh  
Eddie Murray

**Junior School**  
President—Buddy Vaughn  
Vice-President—Bill Shawab  
Secretary-Treasurer—Tony Todd  
Honor Council Member—Ray Francis  
Student Council Member—  
Chris Williams

### Homecoming Matches Maroons, Burros

Homecoming this year looms as big as ever on the Montgomery Bell campus as the Maroons tangle with neighborhood rival, Hillsboro. Mentors Tommy Owen and Henry Ransom will be joined by their football wives to see who comes out on top in this big AAA scrap. The Burros have made the switch from AA to AAA this year in fine style, and drubbings by Linton and Cohn are the only losses on their record. The Maroons were held to a tie by East, but tomorrow night they will be out for blood to revenge the 66-6 massacre last year at the hands of the Big Red. Tonight's game will mark the 10th meeting between these schools with MBA holding the edge, winning 7 times to 2 for the Burros. Records so far this season:

	MBA	
37	East	0
37	Goodlettsville	0
21	Clarksville	0
7	Ryan	2
13	Cohn	6
20	Springfield	13
25	Dupont	0

	HILLSBORO	
20	Ryan	7
19	Lauderdale	13
12	Goodlettsville	0
6	Linton	51
33	Columbia	40
20	East	52
13	Central	20
9	Cohn	18

The Burros will be without the services of fullbacks Jimmy Daniel

and Ralph Cook, but they still have the rest of their fleet backfield in top shape. The Maroons will be facing a rugged Hillsboro line boxed in by fine ends Bobby Cohn and Cliff Funk. With surprise somewhere in the Burros will add depth to their attack. The Maroons can expect an aerial game with field general big Dick Abernathy on the passing end.

Kickoff will be at 8 p.m. on spaghetti supper.

Probable starting lineups:

No.	MBA	
80	T. Husband	RE
70	J. Murphree	RT
64	Elam	RG
50	Muse	C
62	Gribbs	LG
2	Brothers	LT
22	Duke	LB
7	T. Murphree	QB
23	Hunter	RH
43	Creagh	LH
33	Crawford	FB
25	Dupont	

No.	HILLSBORO	
77	Funk	RE
75	Honeywell	RT
62	Gaines	RG
51	Col	C
64	Westenberber	LG
52	Foxall	LT
81	Mullen	LE
6	Abernathy	QB
20	Neal	RH
41	Rundle	LH
10	McNeese	FB



Photo by Eddie White  
1956-57 cheerleaders pictured above are (Kneeling) Robert White, Caleb Wallwork, Gene Shelton, (standing)—Linda Christie, Pat Spiekard, Michael Larsen, Carol Davidson, Judy Lackey. Head cheerleader Bill Lightfoot was not present when the picture was made.

## Editorials

### Let's Go, Big Red

Due to the sincere efforts of each and every student, this should be the most successful homecoming MBA has ever had. The Big Red has had an extremely satisfactory season so far, but a let-down in this game could prove disastrous. The student body owes a debt to Coach Owen for the phenomenal athletic teams he has turned out in the last four years. We hope to fulfill this obligation Friday night by giving the team our utmost support. What could be a better gift to the old grads than a decisive victory over Hillsboro? The team is ready, the student body is ready, and the old grads are awaiting the outcome with bated breath.

### What Is Spirit?

Where is MBA's spirit? Many people have asked this question during the last couple of years. Many old grads say, "When I was at MBA, you had to come to a game early to get a seat, and the yelling was terrific. Where has the spirit disappeared to?" To answer the alumni's question very frankly, I would say that the spirit is still here, and gradually it is building back up. A few years ago MBA reached its lowest ebb in football history, and the spirit more or less died. Why did it die? It died mainly because of human nature, as nobody wants to lose, and people just don't want to yell for a losing team. They want a winning team, and now that they have one, the spirit is building up again. Many people say, "We have a winning team this year, and yet there is still no spirit." The main reason for this feeling is that our students took it for granted that our team would win the state championship even before they played a game. This attitude has been changed in the last few games, any one of which we could have easily lost. The students now realize that in order to have a winning team they are going to have to get behind it and push it to victory. Let's show the alumni that the old MBA spirit is still here, and that this year, as last, we are going to be state champions in football.

### Building Morale Through Cheers

The BELL RINGER staff commends our cheer leaders, Bill Lightfoot, Gene Shelton, Bill Wallwork, Robert White, Linda Christie, Judy Lackey, Pat Spickard, Carol Davidson, and Mike Larsen for their fine work. They have been doing an excellent job.

We congratulate them on their enthusiasm and versatility. With the full and complete support of every member of the student body, they will be able to blend the cheering section into a dynamic instrument of support for the team.

Let us all pledge our wholehearted cooperation and follow their suggestions in every game. If we do this, patrons will recognize fine co-ordination and harmony in the stands as well as on the gridiron.

Thus, with a winning team and cheering section we present a united front which can overcome all opposition.

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### Our Alumni Speak

Because football is one of MBA's favorite sports, the BELL RINGER staff interviewed some of the former greats of the school and asked this question, "What did football at MBA mean to you?"

Their replies are:

**Bill Brown—1952.** "Football taught me the importance of true teamwork. There is no room for anyone to feel like a outsider if he thinks that he can accomplish anything really great without the help of others. Also to win in football or in later life, one must put his best effort at all times. Those who do things only half-way are lost in the shuffle."

**Tommy Cate—1952.** "Playing football gave me in return for my energy a sense of both community and competition. I am glad to say nothing of the bodily strength gained from any such competitive sport. This is a high return, indeed, considering the things of questionable value that my energy and time could have been expended upon."

**Bill Davidson—1938.** "To me the most lasting value of football is the sense of teamwork and cooperation gained by those who participate in the game."

**Al Whitson—1941.** "Football offers many intangible benefits. Like any competitive sport, football benefits the boy who plays it not only because of the enjoyment derived from participation in it, but also because of the constructive qualities of character it instills within each player."

**Charlie Brooks—1953.** "Football is a great game, and gives a sense of my high school career. Probably the most important lesson I learned from playing football was how to take the hardships of life; for in life as in football, there is no easy way to get on top."

### The Public Servant

Welcome, newcomers. Have I met you before? I make it a point to meet everyone, but if I have not yet made your acquaintance, please pay me a visit. You will not be disappointed. Enter my doors and I will lift your heart. Scan my collection and I will bring you new knowledge. Study my volumes and I will breathe fire into your soul. You see, I am the library, created for the purpose of serving you. You don't even have to rub your magic lamp to have the vast store of knowledge within your grasp—just step into my doors.

I make no discriminations among my visitors. All are welcome, and I can supply each one with the kind of entertainment that he likes. Where else can you get a wide variety of entertainment free of cost?

I have a book for every mood. As Francis Bacon said, "Some are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested." Do not think because my library concerns itself with comedy, I have no room for comedy. Indeed, the greater part of my collection was written for your enjoyment alone. But don't take my word for it; come and find out for yourself. For once you have accepted my challenge, you shall be life-long friends.

### New Books in The Library

**Bronken Arrow—Elliot Arnold**  
**Dive—Rick and Barbara Carrier**

**Blonds Prefer Gentlemen—Sheila**

**John Dierkes**

**The President of the United States—E. B. Fincher**

**The Power of Positive Thinking for Young People—Norman Vincent Peale**

**The First Book of Caves—Elizabeth Hamilton**

**True Story Lincoln Was Shot—Jim Bishop**

**First Boat—C. B. Colby**

**A Thing of Beauty—A. J. Cronin**

**Come As You Are—O. H. Austin**

**Detectives in Togas—Henry Winfield**

**Opposites the Wanderer—Aubrey**

**De Mille**

**Julius Caesar—Manuel Komroff**

**It seems that you do not have**

### Fan-Tastic FOOTBALL

(A compilation of football terms as defined by one confused fan.)

**INTERFERENCE:** Cheering so loud it prevents me from hearing how

**Notre Dame** is doing on my portable radio.

**QUOTATION:** What I don't get from the program salesman, who

never has any choice words.

**FORWARD PASS:** What I complete every few minutes with the

binoculars the fellow in back of me hands to his friend, the fellow

in front of me.

**SUSTAINED DRIVE:** The three-hour 50 mile crawl home.

**SUPERTIME:** Whatever they sell for coffee.

**CLIPPER:** Charging me \$5 each for end-zone seats.

**POINT AFTER TOUCHDOWN:** What the man in front of me does

at whichever team scores while yelling, "That's my Alma Mater."

**T-FORMATION:** A method of hiding the ball from the spectators.

**FIRST DOWN:** The people who find it necessary to leave early, all

of whom step on my third toe, right foot.

**TOUCHBACK:** What the sharp knees of the man behind me does

all afternoon.

**DELAYED BUCK:** Pay-off of the \$1 bet won from my wife.

—Selected

### The Rebel Yells

Since this issue is dedicated to all those boys who play football, let's give a great big Rebel yell for all them chilum! They have been doing a wonderful job.

Welcome to Mr. Landon, a graduate from David Lipscomb College who was a member of the football team and participated in classes formerly taught by Mr. Wise.

Mr. Landon, a native of Nashville, has really put the fire under the boys in his algebra and geometry classes.

Wearing sun-glasses in school is a common occurrence now, since "Shiny" Duke acquired his front tooth.

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Congratulations to Mr. Novak, the organizer of four eighth grade intramural teams. The captains of these teams are Walter Hale, the "Pale Face"; Bill Williams, the "Chickadee"; Bill Shubab, the "Creeks"; and Pat Wilson, the "Cherokees."

Wiley McDougal and his "lawless" band of hunters invade the cedar after a few quarts of cider after a hard day of hunting. The outstanding incident of the

day occurred when Wiley, trying

to get a better look at a "57" Dodge, ran over a telephone post.

Wiley's only comment was, "I'm glad it wasn't 'The Fly.'

All the boys on the hill enjoyed

the World Series, especially because they were shown on television. All the credit goes to Frank Cole, who willingly brought his set. Thanks a lot, Frank.

Seen at the junior party was

"Elvis" Gerald with a slick chick hanging on his arm. How about

it, Elvis, who was she?

Congratulations to all the boys making the privilege list. The hopes of many seniors now on the privilege list are dwindling as Mrs. "B" starts hitting the boys with harder tests.

MBA to buy rotary lawnmower

to polish Hugh's shoes.

Russ Hooper seen with very close friend on Jackson Blvd.

Buddy Skinner, new addition to our cheerleading squad, is quoted, "A little practice now and then will help the cheers of the best of men."

Let's all get behind our team

and really give them some good cheering at our homecoming game.

### Caribbean Sea for Me!

by Richard Appen

To understand another's language is to get along with him. I played ping-pong with a Venezuelan shore patrolman who couldn't speak a word of English, and even though we both spoke Spanish, we seemed to have a mutual understanding of each other.

Next we arrived at Trinidad, where our ship loaded bauxite for the production of aluminum. They were in the midst of their rainy season, when it rains daily for six months. We saw more tropical birds here, including a rara, grapefruit, cacao, banana, coffee, nutmeg, lemon, bamboo, and mangos.

The natives in Trinidad amused themselves by cutting the tops off steel oil drums and made drums out of them. By heating and puncturing these drums, they could produce musical tones of any pitch. The music created by the drum was amazingly similar to that of a harp.

We also saw a limbo contest, an event that is the exact opposite of our own limbo. The contestants bend over backwards and spread their feet as far apart as possible. They then crawl under a bar with only their feet touching the ground and using their hands to balance themselves. Two of them actually went under the bar at 16 inches.

In Jamaica there were numerous peddlers on the street selling their wares. Their prices ranged from \$3.00 to \$5.00. They sold many various articles, among them Calypso shakers, bamboo vases, carvings made from cow horn, and many straw materials.

# BEAT BURROS, LIONS, TOO!

MBA

VS.

HILLSBORO

November 2

at

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MBA's stellar backfield: Ed Creagh, Billy Crawford,  
Billy Hunter, Tommy Murphree.

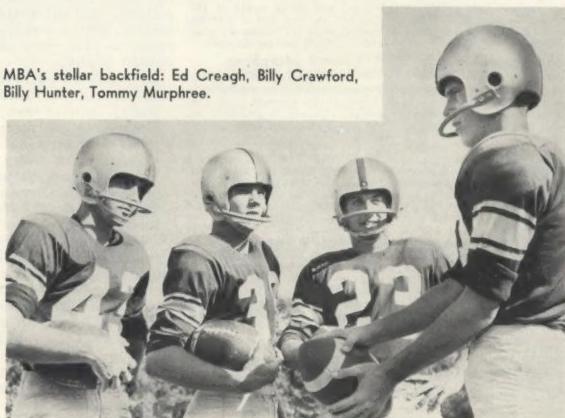


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MBA

VS.

LITTON

November 9

at

LITTON

[Below] The sturdy forward wall: Tom Husband, John Murphree, Wade Elam, John Muse, Ronnie Grubbs, Don Brothers, David Duke.



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## PERSONALITIES OF THE GRIDIRON

**★ Bill Barr**

Bill is playing his first year on the varsity as a 190 pound junior tackle. He maintains a very high scholastic average and is a member of the Honor Council and Junior Freedom Forum.

**★ Robin Beard**

A 150 pound end, Robin is also playing his first year on the varsity. He is a senior and active participant in forensics and Hi-Y when he is not playing football.

**★ Don Brothers**

A three year letterman, Don is the captain of the team this year and holds down tackle at 180 pounds. Don is president of the Student Council and is a leader both on and off the gridiron.

**★ Tony Brush**

A senior right halfback weighing 144, Tony is seeing a lot of action this year on the varsity. He is also sports editor for The Bell Ringer and has a good scholastic standing.

**★ Bowyer Cheshire**

A first string defensive end, "Odie" is making the most of his 151 pounds. He is a senior and in his second year on the varsity. He also plays baseball.

**★ John Carpenter**

John is a junior weighing 165 pounds and is playing his first year as guard on the varsity. John is active in forensics and is on the Honor Council. He is hoping for another good year on the football team next year.

**★ John Clay**

John, a sophomore, is playing his first year on the varsity. A 180 pound end, he is looking forward to two more years of football. John is also a trackman.

**★ Runcie Clements**

Weighing 156 pounds and playing at center is "Rope" Clements. He is a senior and second year man on the squad. Runcie is on the tennis team and plays basketball.

**★ Billy Crawford**

Having come to MBA from Vicksburg, Georgia, Billy has shown his form and drives as a fine football player. He is a 175 pound fullback and has two more years of football to play.

**★ Ed Creagh**

Ed is not just a fine halfback on the football squad but is equally good in basketball, tennis and baseball. He is an "A" student and member of the Honor Council. Ed weighs 156 pounds.

**★ John Dale**

Playing his first year on the varsity, junior John Dale is seeing lots of action as a 154 pound quarterback. He is vice president of his class and is on the Junior Freedom Forum.

**★ Emmett Dozier**

"Chunkie" is in his second year on the varsity and is a fast left halfback weighing 140 pounds. He is vice-president of the senior class and a top student scholastically.

**★ David Duke**

Dave, 170 pounds, holds down end for the Big Red. He is playing his second year on the varsity as a junior. He is on the Student Council for his second year. In addition to football, Dave runs track and plays basketball.

**★ Wade Elam**

At 165 pounds and playing guard is senior Wade Elam. Wade is in his second and last year on the squad. He is active in forensics and the Key Club and is a leader in the senior class.

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**★ Buddy Foxall**

Although a leg injury has slowed Buddy up some this season, he is now becoming stronger. This is his first year on the varsity and he plays fullback. He weighs 190 pounds and is also a basketball player and No. 1 man on the MBA golf team.

**★ John Franklin**

Junior John Franklin is playing his first year on the varsity and is a 185 pound tackle. He played junior varsity last year and is looking forward to another year of football.

**★ Billy Gerald**

Not only a fine football player as a 162 pound back, but also equally fine in basketball and baseball is junior Billy Gerald. This is his first year on the varsity, but he has sparked the JV squad for the two preceding years.

**★ Whitney Griffin**

At 150 pounds Whitney is a hustling sophomore guard and is in his first year on the varsity football. He was president of his class last year and a leader in the sophomore class this year.

**★ Ronnie Grubbs**

With a good chance for All-City honors, "Baby-doll" is holding down guard for the Big Red at 165 pounds. A rugged defender, this is his last year on the squad, but he is making it best.

**★ Carl Hoffer**

Carl, a 156 pound end, is playing his first varsity season. He is a senior and plays tennis as well as football. Carl is also active in Hi-Y.

**★ Clay Huddleston**

As a senior in his second year on the squad, Clay has seen little action due to a severe ankle injury. He is a 140 pound right halfback. In addition to football Clay serves on the Honor Council.

**★ Buddy Skinner**

Fleet halfback "Cube" Hunter is leading the MBA offense over opposition this season. Billy weighs 165 and is another All-American prospect. In addition to football he runs track and plays basketball.

**★ Dick Husband**

Only a sophomore but still a rugged ball player is Dickie Husband, 200 pound tackle. Dick has two more years to play. He also is on the baseball team.

**★ Tom Husband**

All-City last year and MBA's gift to All-American All-State Honors is 185 pound end Tom Husband. Tom pitches for the baseball team and is a prospect for college standout in the future.

**★ Steve Jewell**

Junior Steve Jewell is playing his first year on the squad but had experience last year on the junior varsity. Steve is a 148 pound fullback. Outside of football and studies he sings with the Glee Club.

**★ George McGugin**

Coming on the football name of McGugin in fine spirit, George is playing his first year as a 151 pound guard. He is a fine student scholastically and is secretary-treasurer of the junior class. George is also a good golfer.

**★ Wirt McKnight**

Wirt is a 154 pound center who came to MBA from East Nashville his sophomore year and is playing his first year on the varsity. He had experience on the JV last season. He is a junior.

**★ Steve Miller**

145 pound "Smilie" Miller is experiencing his first year of varsity football. Steve is a junior in the senior class.

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and played on the JV team last year.

**★ John Murphree**

John is alternate captain this year. He is in his third year of football and plays tackle at 185 pounds. He has had a starting position since his sophomore year and is a good back all-city.

**★ John Muse**

Big John is earning his second letter on the MBA squad this year as a junior. He plays center and weighs 240 pounds. John also sings with the Glee Club.

**★ Alan Purdy**

Alan is on the varsity his first year, but has had experience 2 years in the JV. He is a junior guard and weighs 145 pounds. Scholastically Alan ranks high in his class and is active in the Key Club.

**★ Bobby Raiford**

Just a sophomore, Bobby has seen little action this year but hopes to play a lot more in the next two years. He is a halfback and weighs 135 pounds.

**★ Buddy Skinner**

A senior earning his second letter on the team, Buddy Skinner, 172 pound guard. A rugged defender, he has helped hold down opponents' scoring against the Macons. He is in running for All-City honors.

**★ Jim Thurman**

"Hote" is playing his second year on the team, though not consecutively. A 155 pound end, he played his sophomore year, but was out of action last year due to a leg injury. Jim also is a dash man for the track team.

**★ Ransom White**

Having sustained a back injury the first of the season, Ransom has been inactive ever since. He is a 157 pound fullback and is in his second year on the squad. Ransom is an "A" student, a senior, and president of the Honor Council.

**★ Dick Williams**

"Tub" is a 183 pound tackle playing his second year of varsity football. Dick not only plays football but baseball as well. He is active in forensics and takes part in many school activities.

**★ Jim Woodward**

Jim came to MBA his sophomore year from West High and has become a fine member of the student body. He is a 155 pound end and looks forward to another year of MBA football.

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## What Is A Football Player...?

Between the innocence of boyhood and the dignity of man, we find a sturdy creature called the football player. Football players come in assorted weights, heights, jersey colors and numbers, but all have the same creed: to play every second of every game to the best of their ability.

*Football players are found everywhere—underneath, on top of, running around, jumping over, passing by, twisting from, or diving through the enemy. Teammates rub them, officials penalize them, students cheer them, kid brothers idolize them, coaches criticize them, pretty girls adore them, alumni tolerate them, and mothers worry about them. A football player is Courage in cleats, Hope in a helmet, Pride in pads, and the best of Young Manhood in moleskins.*

When your team is behind, a football player is incompetent, careless, indecisive, lazy, unco-ordinated and stupid. Just when your team threatens to turn the tide of battle, he misses a block, fumbles the ball, drops a pass, jumps offside, falls down, runs the wrong way or completely forgets his assignment.

A football player is a composite—he eats like Notre Dame, sleeps like Notre Dame, but more often than not plays like Grand Canyon grade school. To an opponent publicity man, he has the speed of a gazelle, the strength of an ox, the size of an elephant, the cunning of a fox, the agility of an adagio dancer, the quickness of a cat and the ability of Red Grange, Glen Davis, Bronko Nagurski and Jim Thorpe—combined.

*To his own coach he has, for press purposes, the stability of mush, the fleetness of a snail, the mentality of a mule, is held together by adhesive tape, bailing wire, sponge rubber, and has about as much chance of playing on Friday as would his own grandfather.*

To an alumnus, a football player is someone who will never kick as well, run as far, block as viciously, tackle as hard, fight as fiercely, give as little ground, score as many points or generate nearly as much spirit as did the particular players of his own yesteryear.

A football player is a wonderful creature—you can't discourage him. You can defeat his team but never his spirit.

Might as well admit—he is your personal representative on the field, your symbol of fair and hard play. He may not be an All-American but he is an example of the American Way. He is judged, not for his race, religion, social standing or finances, but by the democratic yardsticks of how well he blocks, tackles and sacrifices individual glory for the overall success of his team.

He is a hard-working, untiring, determined kid doing the very best he can for his school. And when you come out of the stadium, grousing and feeling upset that your team has lost, he can make you feel almighty ashamed with just two sincerely spoken words—"We tried!"

*—Blue and White, Red Bank High,  
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## Voice of Democracy Contest to Be Held In November

American freedom is our most priceless heritage. Few Americans realize how vigilant we must continue to be if we expect to preserve this precious gift of individual freedom that is becoming a rarity in the world today. Each person must make greater contributions to the service of the country. This applies to the youth of the country, who are inclined to take their freedom for granted.

We, the youth, can provide inspiration for our fellow Americans by entering the tenth annual Voice of Democracy contest to be held next month. This contest is open to all high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors in the United States. Contestants deliver oral speeches in school and community. Winners record their speeches on tape for state and national elimination contests and originality. Four national winners will be selected. Each of these will receive a \$500 scholarship and an expense-paid trip to Washington.

Bob Marks, Wade Elam, George Sloan, and Caleb Waller were selected as local representatives from MBA's senior class. The one who is judged the best will represent MBA in the Nashville contest, which will be sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. This is certainly a worthy project and merits the support of each of us.

### JV AVERAGES

(Continued from page 5, Col. 5) 12-6. The Clarksville defense dug in and managed to hold the Maroons scoreless for the remainder of the game except for the 12-6.

### MAROONS 13-RYAN 6

MBA was able to come through with brilliant offensive and defensive play to upset Ryan 13-6. The first score came in the first period when Tom Stephens plunged over from the 7 yard line. Stephens made good the extra point to make the score 7-0. Later in the second period, Mike Sheffey tossed a pass to Wilson Prucher for the Maroons' final TD. The extra point was missed.

The second half appeared to be a defensive battle until the middle of the fourth period when Ryan scored on an end run. The rest of the quarter was a hard fought defensive battle. When the final whistle blew, the score was 13-6 in favor of MBA.

### MBA 40-CORN 0

The JV really "opened up" against the Cohn Tigers. From the opening kickoff until the final whistle, our boys moved the ball well. MBA was without a doubt the superior team.

MBA's first TD came late in the first period when Mike Sheffey went into the end zone on a "keeper" play. A few minutes later, Stephens took a handoff and raced into the end zone. At the half the score stood MBA 13, Cohn 0.

In the third quarter the Maroons scored twice on touchdowns by Stephens and Max Grant. The Maroons entered the fourth quarter leading 27-0, but soon scored twice more on a pass to Wilson Prucher and an end sweep by Tommy Roberts.

When the final whistle blew, the Red team was victorious by a term score of 40-0.

### MBA 28-CUMBERLAND 7

The JV continued its winning ways by romping over Cumberland 28-7 on the winners' field. Tom Stephens began the MBA scoring parade by scoring on an end run in the first quarter. Another first period tally came when Mike Sheffey passed to Wilson Prucher. Carl Ballantyne had a three yard plunge in the second quarter and again on a two yard plunge in the fourth quarter. It was a fine win for the Maroons.

**TOM**  
**Harrison**  
FLOWERS



Photo by Eddie White  
Pictured above are the Freedom Forum speakers with their sponsor, Mrs. Norton Campbell. Left to right are: Ransom White, Bill Lightfoot, Wade Elam, Mrs. Campbell, Walter Bearden, George Sloan, and Jody Wallace.

## Freedom Forum Looks Forward To Another Successful Year

What, Why, If, and How are the questions that will be asked to develop the subjects of the Freedom Forum this year. The subject is "The Way of Life versus Communism."

Mrs. Norton Campbell will again be in charge of the Freedom Forum. The script for this year's Freedom Forum will be entirely different from that of last year, because the speeches have been written by the students. Mrs. Campbell and her son, Mr. Revend Norton Campbell, Jr.

The Freedom Forum is composed of boys who were on the Junior Freedom Forum last year. The boys are Walter Bearden, Wade Elam, Jody Wallace, Ransom White, George Sloan, and Bill Lightfoot.

Dr. Sager received many letters last year, informing him of the fine job the Freedom Forum and Mrs. Campbell were doing. One D.A.R. chapter in Nashville said that the Forum had been the finest program they had had the entire year and that they wanted it back again. Forum would come back again this year. In a letter to Dr. Sager from one of the members of the Seretoma Club the member said, "During the thirty minute presentation you could have heard a pin drop, such was the keen interest and attention shown by every member."

Mr. Ben Crump, president of the Nashville Shrine Club, said, "I don't believe we have had any program which brought more favorable comment than this one."

The Freedom Forum has already made appearances at Bellwood, Columbia, and Hixson High. The Freedom Forum plans to carry on through the year, making appearances at most of the high schools throughout the city and also the various clubs.

The boys throughout the school year have done a good job in promoting interest in the freedoms we enjoy in this country.

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## New Gym Construction Begins in January

Mr. J. C. Dale, president of the Father's Club, announced following their recent meeting that construction is soon to begin on the new gymnasium. The bids of the various contractors were submitted October 25. Announcement will shortly be made concerning the firm receiving the contract. Plans call for a gymnasium to be ready by the opening of the fall term.

In addition to giving consideration to the new gym two other projects were mentioned, building a new fence around the tennis

courts and remodeling the public address system on the football fields.

The Father's Club presented the new officers to the approximately 75 men present. The officers are:

President—Mr. J. C. Dale

Vice-President—Mr. Charles Craghead

Secretary-Treasurer—Mr. Tom Husband

The meeting was concluded with a talk and the showing of game pictures by Coach Tommy Owen.

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